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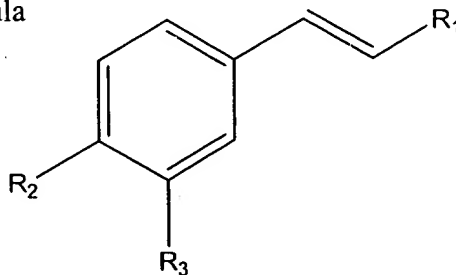
Although Applicants do not believe any additional fees are required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees, including extension of time fees or other relief as may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 502319 (Order No. 469201-00109).

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the claims:

1. (Four Times Amended) A method for [controlling] killing [an insect or an arachnid] a population of pests selected from the group consisting of termites, ants, mites, and fleas, said method comprising:

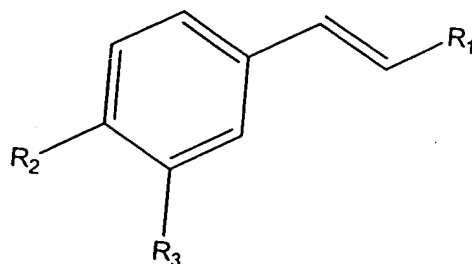
contacting said [insect or arachnid] population of pests with an effective pest growth modulating amount of [a] an aqueous formulation comprising 0.01 g/l to [25] 10 g/l of one or more of compounds [of having a formula



wherein R₁ represents -CHO, R₂ represents -OH, -H or an organic substituent containing from 1 to 10 carbon atoms, and R₃ represents a methoxy group, -H or an organic substituent containing from 1 to 10 carbon atoms;] selected from the group consisting of cinnamic aldehyde or coniferyl aldehyde, and wherein said formulation does not contain an antioxidant other than an antioxidant according to said [formula] compounds.

8. (Four Times Amended) A composition suitable for use as a shampoo or a soap, said composition comprising:

[an insect or arachnid growth modulating amount of] one or more compound [of a formula



wherein R1 represents -CHO, R2 represents -OH, -H or an organic substituent containing from 1 to 10 carbon atoms, and R3 represents a methoxy group, -H or an organic substituent containing from 1 to 10 carbon atoms] selected from the group consisting of cinnamic aldehyde or coniferyl aldehyde, and further comprising the salt of a polyprotic acid, in a soap or detergent formulation, in an amount sufficient to provide a kill of about 70% or greater of a target insect or arachnid population.

19. (NEW) The method according to Claim 4, wherein said aqueous formulation further comprises a soap or detergent suitable for use as a shampoo or soap for a mammal.

20. (NEW) The method according to Claim 4, wherein said aqueous formulation further comprises a powder or detergent suitable for use a carpet shampoo.

21. (NEW) A composition suitable for use as bait for the group of pests consisting of flies, cockroaches, and termites comprising cinnamic aldehyde coupled to a solid support.

22 (NEW) A method for killing a population of pests selected from the group consisting of termites, ants, mites, and fleas, said method comprising:

contacting said population of pests with an effective pest growth modulating amount of an aqueous formulation comprising 0.01 g/l to 10 g/l of one or more of compounds selected from the group consisting of cinnamic aldehyde or coniferyl aldehyde, and wherein said formulation is

coupled to a solid support and does not contain an antioxidant other than an antioxidant according to said compounds.

23. (NEW) A method for killing a population of pests selected from the group consisting of termites, ants, mites, and fleas, said method comprising:

applying the composition of claim 7 in an area infested with said population of pests.

24. (NEW) A composition suitable for use as bait for the group of pests consisting of arachnids, flies, cockroaches, and termites comprising:

one or more compound selected from the group consisting of cinnamic aldehyde or coniferyl aldehyde, wherein said composition is coupled to a solid support and located adjacent to an area of infestation of said pests.

Please consider the following remarks.

REMARKS

Claims 1, 4, 5, 7, 8, 10, 12-14, 16 and 18 are pending. Claims 1 and 8 have been amended, and new claims 19-24 are added. A clean copy of the claims as amended is attached.

Support for Claim Amendments and New Claims

In Claim 1, the amendment finds support at column 5, lines 13 –32 of the reissue application as originally filed, and has been made to recite a specific group of pests.

In Claim 8, the amendment finds support at column 3, lines 35-40 of the reissue application as originally filed, as has been made to further recite “the salt of a polyprotic acid” in the composition.

Claim 19, which depends from Claim 4, has been added. Support for new Claim 19 is found at Column 3, lines 30-33, and lines 40-44.

Claim 20, which depends from Claim 4, has been added. Support for new Claim 20 is found at Column 3, lines 30-33, and lines 40-44 as originally filed.